(b) if so, the steps taken to bail out these State with special assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Crimes and bomb blasts in trains

3402. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of nature of crimes including bomb blasts reported in the running trains since the beginning of 1999 to till date and the zones which have shown increasing trend;

(b) the measures taken by Government so far to check the growing crims/ bomb blasts on the running trains and to provide safety to life and property of the passengers; and

(c) whether any compensation was paid to those who were injured or to the nearest relatives of dead persons (zone-wise) till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

Fake currency in Chamoli

†3403. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that huge fake currency notes are found to be in circulation in Chamoli and Dehradun districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether it is also a fact that ISI are using the labourers of Nepali origin for this purpose; and

(c) if so, what measures have been taken by Government to tackle this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI): (a) According to information received from the Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, three cases of seizure of fake currency, two in 1999 and one in

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

2000, have been reported from Dehradun. Fake currency amounting to Rs. 46,600 was recovered in these cases. No such cases has, however, been reported from Chamoli.

(b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has informed that no incident of use of labourers of Nepali origin by ISI for this purpose has come to its notice.

(c) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has strengthened the intelligence network and instructed the State Police authorities to be alert. The Indo-Nepal Border Police has also been set up to control anti-national activities on the Indo-Nepal Border.

Zargar terrorist in Kashmir

3404. SHRI SATISH CHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether terrorist Zargar who was released in lieu of passengers in the hijacked plan IC 814 of Indian Airlines has arrived in Kashmir.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): So far there is no evidence which could suggest the presence of Mushtaq Ahmed Zargar @ Lat-rum in Jammu-Kashmir.

Bomb blast on Delhi-Saharanpur passenger train

3405. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most sophisticated explosive device went off on the Delhi-Saharanpur passenger train at old Delhi Railway Station on the 6th January, 2000 and a number of persons were hurt;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the outcome of enquiry conducted by Government;

(d) whether Government have since traced/identified the culprits involved in this heinous crime, and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of compensation given to the persons injured in the said incident; and

(f) what measures have been taken by Government to check such incidents?